REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

I. NonStatutory Double Patenting Rejections of Claims 32-40

In the Office action, claims 32-40 of the subject application are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-73 of U.S. Pat. No. 6,557,679 and claims 1-14 of U.S. Pat. No. 5,961,424. In addition, claims 32-40 are provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-2 of copending Application No. 10/093,326. Terminal disclaimers are submitted herewith to overcome the rejections of claims 32-40.

Therefore, it is believed that claims 32-40 are believed to be in form for allowance, and such indication is respectfully requested

II. Conclusion

For at least the various reasons discussed herein, it is believed that claims 32-40 are in form for allowance, and such indication is respectfully requested. This Amendment and Response is filed in response to the Office action of November 24, 2004. A petition for a three month extension of under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) is filed herewith, making this Amendment due on or before Tuesday, May 24, 2005. As check in the amount of $1,410.00 is submitted herewith to cover the $1,020.00 extension of time fee and the $390.00 terminal disclaimer fees. It is believed no further fees are due with respect to the filing of this Amendment; however, if additional petitions or fees are required, please consider this a request therefor and authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 04-1415 accordingly.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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